

## Review of: "Social context of the brain and law: Is consciousness social?"

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This is an article that deals with relevant issues in an attempt to propose a renewed vision. However, it is a little ambitious in its development due to the breadth of the issues addressed, and the conclusion is not very convincing as it leaves several points open.

From a formal point of view, the grammatical aspects and, in general, the structuring of the article could be improved. The sections could begin with a brief introduction, as well as making it clear how they are linked to the previous section and to the overall aim of the article.

For me, the main problem with the article is that the central thesis, the need to understand consciousness by incorporating the social context, is not sufficiently developed and tends to be forgotten in the exposition of other related topics, and in that sense, it could benefit from focusing the presentation on defending the initial hypothesis.

It is possible that the article would gain in clarity if the author incorporated definitions or stated his point of view, allowing the central purpose of the article to be advanced.

Finally, I am a little confused about the use of the term consciousness used interchangeably to refer to its construction, interpretation by external agents, sense of agency and first-person subjective experience.

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